HOUSE RESOLUTION 67

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Bill Moss on the celebration of his seventy-fifth birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Bill Moss will celebrate his seventy-fifth birthday on March 30, 2011, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, born on March 30, 1936, Mr. Moss is a man of integrity who embodies the best of his community; and

WHEREAS, after earning his B.B.A. degree from Georgia State University, Bill Moss began his illustrious accounting career at F.W. Lafrentz & Co. in Atlanta, but soon joined the East Tennessee firm of Joe E. Henry & Co.; and

WHEREAS, in 1964, Mr. Moss accepted a prestigious controllership at Berry College in Rome, Georgia, and served with acumen and alacrity as its C.F.O. and Corporate Treasurer for seven years, earning the respect of the administration, faculty, and students alike due to his visionary leadership, tireless work ethic, and peerless dedication to excellence; and

WHEREAS, during his exemplary tenure there, Bill Moss also masterfully evaluated the financial status of various institutions as a member of several Southern Association of Colleges and University (SACUBO) accreditation teams; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Moss rejoined Joe E. Henry & Co. in 1971, and because of his unparalleled business acumen and accounting expertise, he was quickly admitted to the Partnership; and

WHEREAS, listening to his entrepreneurial spirit, Bill Moss decided to commit his singular skills and leadership abilities to establishing his own practice, and he and his partner, Bob Rodefer, launched Rodefer, Moss, & Co., PLLC, in 1988; and

WHEREAS, even after retiring from that noble company in 1996, Mr. Moss continues to lend his sage advice to the firm as an esteemed consultant; and

WHEREAS, a highly-influential figure in his field, Bill Moss is a valued member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and member and former president of the Appalachian Chapter of the Tennessee Society of C.P.A.s, rendering sterling service on its Personnel and Continuing Education committees; and

WHEREAS, during a lifetime overflowing with generosity and accomplishment, Mr. Moss has been a valuable contributor to many civic and charitable organizations, including serving as the president of the Greeneville Lions Club and the Link Hill Country Club, Green County Commissioner, member of the Niswonger Performing Arts Center's Advisory Board, and treasurer for the Dickson-Williams Historical Association; and

WHEREAS, this remarkable individual is also a devout member of the St. James Episcopal Church in Greeneville, where he faithfully serves his Lord as the treasurer of the church; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate Bill Moss on the celebration of his seventh-fifth birthday and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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